"My greatest, most fervent hope for all families is that each child will choose a lifetime partner as well as I did," he writes in the 16th chapter. He and the former UT homecoming queen were wed on Jan. 28, 1949.

"Relationships are what it's all about," Findlay said. "I don't need yachts or luxury cars—I don't live too high. Success is about building relationships with people and being fair in trying to treat everybody alike."

# SCHOOL BOARD APPRECIATION MONTH

## HON. JEB HENSARLING

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 10, 2004

Mr. HENSARLING. Mr. Speaker, in the month of January, across the country, the State of Texas and in the Fifth Congressional District, we celebrate School Board Recognition Month to acknowledge the hard work of school board members and thank them for their valuable service in the education of our children.

During School Board Recognition Month, we honor the administrators, staff, and volunteers of the Richardson Independent School District who work to promote academic excellence and provide a safe learning environment for our students.

School board members are responsible for fulfilling one of the most important roles in our society: helping develop young men and women into the future leaders of our Nation's economy, government, community, and houses of worship.

I would like to extend my most sincere thanks to all Richardson school board members for their continued dedication and hard work. Their contribution to the education of our children is truly helping to shape the future of our communities and our Nation.

## A TRIBUTE TO GREGG CHERRY

# HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 10, 2004

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I rise in honor of Gregg Cherry who has shown a deep commitment to serving and improving his community through his work with child services and a career in law enforcement.

Gregg was born March 29, 1955, to James and Audrey Cherry. He is the oldest of five children. He was born and raised in the Bedford-Stuyvesant neighborhood of Brooklyn, New York. Gregg is a graduate of the old Boys High School where he played several positions on the football team. His football career continued at Shaw University where he received bachelors degrees in English and Communications in 1980. He is the loving father of Craig and Raven Cherry.

It was his love and commitment to his community which led him to a career in law enforcement. During his tenure as an investigator and caseworker for the Bureau of Child Welfare, Gregg saw the many inconsistencies and tragedies children encountered in the child welfare system and wanted to make a positive difference. So, in 1984, he joined the New York City Police Department.

He graduated in the first police academy class under the tutelage of Benjamin Ward, the first African American Police Commissioner of New York City. He began his service at the 79th police precinct. His no-nonsense attitude quickly gained the respect of his community and peers alike.

For his work, Gregg was honored in 1977 with a Gold Shield as a detective. He also served as an organized crime investigator and in the vice and narcotics units in the NYPCD. Gregg's other law enforcement efforts include work as an Anti Terrorist Profiler, a security monitor of Federal installations in the New York area, and an independent investigative consultant with the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

After 20 years of stellar service, Gregg retired on January 16th of this year and is now planning to pursue a career in Federal law enforcement.

Mr. Speaker, Gregg Cherry has had a long and distinguished career in the NYCPD and remains committed to serving his community and country with his future employment in Federal law enforcement. As such, he is more than worthy of receiving our recognition today; and I urge my colleagues to join me in honoring this truly remarkable person.

#### HONORING JOHN HUNTER GRAY

### BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 10, 2004

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize Hunter Gray, a civil rights activist involved in the southern movement from the summer of 1961 to the summer of 1967.

Hunter Gray, formerly John Salter, took the name of his Native American family some years ago and has been one of the Nation's most ardent advocates on behalf of Native rights. He was recently diagnosed with a severe and possibly fatal case of lupus that has also brought on a bad case of diabetes.

John Salter was very active with the Jackson, Mississippi, NAACP and boycott in 1964. He was in the trenches with Medgar Evers and others during the civil rights movement from 1961 until Evers was assassinated and Gray and his wife and young son left the State. He also wrote a book titled, Jackson, Mississippi: An American Chronicle of Struggle and Schism (1979).

Hunter Gray's commitment to civil rights has continued throughout the years. He and his wife Eldri, who has been a partner in the struggle for equality for 40 years, now live in Idaho. He has been hospitalized several times over the past few months , and his medication and hospitalization costs are very expensive. Many of his friends are organizing a testimonial and fund-raiser to let him know how grateful we are to him for his many sacrifices and contributions to civil rights, Native American and labor causes.

For further information on Hunter Gray, I refer you to his widely read Web site at www.hunterbear.org. Hunter Gray has left a formative mark on the shape of Mississippi history. I thank him for his service to civil rights and to Mississippi. I ask that you keep him in your prayers and meditations.

HONORING THE GARLAND ISD DURING SCHOOL BOARD APPRE-CIATION MONTH

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# A TRIBUTE TO MARVIN L. LIFSHUTZ

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OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 10, 2004

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I rise in honor of Marvin L. Lifshutz in recognition of his extraordinary accomplishments in the field of health care law.

Marvin has specialized in the representation of health care professionals for 40 years. He has represented individual physicians, medical groups, medical staffs at hospitals and medical societies. He represents private practices and hospital-based practices for a variety of specialty clients, including the negotiation of exclusive contracts for employees, independent contractors and chiefs of departments.

In the area of managed care, he has created the organizational structures for independent practice associations and their bylaws, negotiated contracts with health maintenance organizations as well as union health care contracts. He has also formed large and small groups of health care providers in setting up medical clinics.

Marvin has assisted in mergers as well as the purchase and sale of medical practices for all subspecialties. He has also represented health care providers who provide Medicare or Medicaid services in the State of New York. Marvin currently represents physicians and physician groups in managed care negotiations and also represents companies acquiring management service organizations (MSOs) that are in the process of going public.

With such a wealth of information, he has shared his expertise on health care law with